

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

DATE: 6.6.24

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dylan, Corey, Harvee, Leo, Dylan, Lily, Evan, Adrian, Zoe Napier

Feedback on actions from last meeting

New badges – to be worn as much as possible

What is going well?

- Lessons
- School day
- Catering
- Breaks

Food:

Food is really nice, tasty.

Would like bigger portions.

Agree that there is enough variety of fruit and veg.

Adults:

All feel well supported.

All have a trusted adult and would talk to the adults in school if we are worried.

Lessons:

Lessons are ok, classes are calm.

School is good.

Would like to have languages lessons. *Might be tricky for timetabled lessons but could run language club from September.*

School day:

Would like all secondary pupils to have lunch play outside option. *Zoe to look at when planning for September timetable.*

What we want to change or develop?

Uniform: thoughts on current uniform: positive, negative

- The t shirt and jumper are itchy
- Wearing black is very hot in the summer – need a lighter option
- It does help wearing joggers for children who have sensory issues
- We know that we have to have a new uniform because we are going to a new trust, and will be North Star.

What would we like to see: Formal/smart: how?

Blazers?

- It will take people time to get used to the change and some people would not 'suit' blazers/would not like them (*discussed how they had already gone through a change and coped well*)
- You would feel more confident for school
- Siblings in other schools wear blazers and they got used to them, are not worried about them so we will be the same

- We would have more control over keeping warm and cool, we can undo or do them up without taking it off
- Asked if they could take them off when it is hot weather? *Will be able to in the summer if we get really hot. Mrs McDicken is very understanding.*

Shirts?

- White cotton shirts are better because they are cooler
- They reflect the light and heat
- Not itchy
- Can wear long or short sleeve so everyone can choose what is best for them.
- Worried about the collar. *Said they would choose shirts with looser collar and still able to attach tie.*

Ties?

- We are worried about normal ties. People could get hurt, strangle each other. *Would be clip on.*
- People could take each other's ties.
- Siblings wear them and got used to them.
- Would look the same.

Shoes?

- Black shoes are ok
- Look smarter than trainers
- Would like to wear trainers sometimes. *Talked about saving their best trainers for outside school, social time*
- Can they have logos? Even if black? *Should be plain and polishable. However, can be smart trainer-shoe. Mrs McDicken will confirm.*

Reasons behind smart uniform?

- Uniforms are better when we go on a school trip so we can be recognised
- All look the same, look united
- No bullying
- Look smart
- Helps us get ready for uniforms when we go to work or college later
- Worried about the cost for parents/carers. *Said that the main parts would be provided, just like this year. That as people grow out of uniform,*

	<i>they can swap it out/others can use. Shirts and trousers would be plain so parents/carers can get them from supermarkets.</i>
Fundraising project:	<p>Have got the money for new football kit – well done! We will get the new football kit ready for September when we are under North Star.</p> <p>Dylan would like to run a milkshake stand termly to raise money for the school.</p>
ACTIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dylan H to check shoes with Mrs McDicken - Zoe to look at languages clubs and lunch play for September - Discuss with Tom G about a milkshake stand in the summer term
Next meeting:	TBC